

Welcome to Church of the Painted Hills

United Church of Christ
Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost
August 4, 2024

Welcome and Announcements Passing of the Peace

Paul Tobey

One: Through webs and nets and wires, it googles and zooms to everyone whose heart needs peace, and to every place there is no peace. And we will share it now: the peace of Christ be with you!

All: And also with you.

Prelude O Lord, You Know My Heart (Sandra T. Ford)

Dr. Kyungsun Choi

Call to Worship

Rudy Urias

One: God says, "Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters.

All: Come, you who have no money. Come, buy, and eat."

One: We have come to feast on the Living Bread, that we might minister to the world's hungers.

All: We have come to drink from the waters of life, that we might minister to the world's thirst.

One: Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

All: Let us worship God, the Source of every blessing.

Hymn Many and Great, O God, are Your Works

#3

**Many and great, O God, are your works,
Maker of earth and sky;
Your hands have set the heavens with stars,
your fingers spread the mountains and plains.
Lo, at your word the waters were formed;
deep seas obey your voice.**

**Grant unto us communion with you,
O star abiding One.
Come unto us and dwell with us;
with you are found the gifts of life.
Bless us with life that has no end,
eternal life with you.**

Young at Heart

Sue Ellen Coltrin

Opening Prayer

Rudy Urias

Holy, living God, be with us now. We seek nourishment and strength for our lives. We seek your grace and your love. Fill us with your Spirit. Guide us by your grace. Make of us a people united in your Love, a people empowered to do your Will, to work your goodness, to be your ambassadors of love, justice, and peace in this world. We pray in Jesus' name, who is our Messiah and our Savior. Amen.

**Prayers of the People
Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. David Buss

Savior's Prayer

Rev. David Buss

Our Creator, who art in Heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen

Music One Bread, One Body (John B. Foley, arr. Mark Hayes)

Dr. Kyungsun Choi

First Reading Exodus 16:2-4, 9-15 NRSVUE

Rudy Urias

Second Reading John 6:24-35 NRSVUE

Rev. David Buss

Message Bread for the Journey

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Communion

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**Invitation to Generosity
Offering Prayer**

Rev. David Buss

We give you thanks, Bread of Life, that you have once again fed us from your table. We give you thanks for the many blessings you have bestowed upon us. We give you thanks for the steadfast love that you have shown to us all our lives. We, in turn, cannot help but respond to your love and abundant generosity by pledging our lives and our treasure to you and to the works that you do. Take our gifts and our lives and use them in your service. In your Most Holy Name we pray. Amen.

Hymn My Heart is Overflowing

#15

**My Heart is overflowing with gladness and with praise.
The God who guards my going gives meaning to my days.
Holy the Rock of Ages known in word and deed,
Giving the victory, fulfilling my every need.**

**The living God has spoken. Earth answers with a song.
Weapons of war are broken, the weak are feeling strong.
See, we no longer hunger, crying out for bread.
Our God restores to life and raises us from the dead.**

**All who are poor and lowly will have a heavenly home.
The humble and the holy shall surely know shalom.
God lifts the needy from the ashes of despair,
Favors the outcast and the downtrodden everywhere.**

**The power of compassion can turn the world around.
The firm in faith will fashion gardens from barren ground.
Echoes of joy are found resounding from the tomb.
Cheerful the childless woman: Life stirs within her womb.**

**The One who once created and now sustains the earth,
Boldly anticipated we too would bring to birth.
Love conquers evil, setting all the captives free.
Praise God for life begetting life for eternity.**

Benediction

Rev. David Buss

Postlude We're Marching to Zion (Robert Lowry, arr. Mark Hayes) Dr. Kyungsun Choi